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Re:

U.S. Non-Provisional Utility Patent Application

Appl. No. To Be Assigned; Filed: Herewith For: Injection Molding Nozzle And Tip

Inventor:

Terry L. Schwenk

Our Ref:

2107.0380001/TUM/NRK

Sir:

The following documents are forwarded herewith for appropriate action by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office:

- 1. PTO Fee Transmittal (Form PTO/SB/17);
- 2. PTO Utility Patent Application Transmittal (Form PTO/SB/05);
- 3. U.S. Utility Patent Application entitled:

#### **Injection Molding Nozzle And Tip**

and naming as inventor:

#### Terry L. Schwenk

the application consisting of:

- a. An Application Data Sheet (37 C.F.R. § 1.76);
- b. A specification containing:
  - i. 9 pages of description prior to the claims;
  - ii. 3 pages of claims (20 claims); and

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- iii. a one (1) page abstract;
- c. 9 sheets of drawings: (Figures 1, 2, 3, 3A, 3B, 4, 4A, 4B, 4C, 4D, 5A, 5B, 5C, 5D, 5E, 6, 7, and 8);
- 4. Petition for Acceptance of Color Drawings Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.84(a)(2);
- 5. Three color copies of Figures 6 and 7;
- 6. Authorization to Treat a Reply As Incorporating An Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(3);
- 7. Two (2) return postcards; and
- 8. Form PTO-2038 Credit Card Payment Form in the amount of \$1072.00 to cover:

\$770.00 the filing fee; \$130.00 fee for accepting color drawings; and \$172.00 excess independent claims fee.

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Respectfully submitted,

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Respectfully submitted,

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### Petition for Acceptance of Color Drawings Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.84(a)(2)

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Sir:

Figures 6 and 7 submitted herewith are color drawings. Applicant petitions for acceptance of Figures 6 and 7 as a color drawings. It is necessary to present Figures 6 and 7 in color to illustrate the heat profile for a prior art injection molding nozzle tip wherein the tip is conically shaped as compared to the heat profile of a nozzle tip configured in accordance with an embodiment of the present invention. Therefore, color is the only practical medium by which to disclose the subject matter sought to be patented.

Three (3) copies of the color drawings are submitted herewith. Also, the specification includes the language recited in 37 C.F.R. § 1.84(a)(2)(iv). Accordingly, Applicant hereby petitions that Figures 6 and 7 be accepted. Early written notice of acceptance of this petition is earnestly solicited.

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